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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ching-Yu Lin et al.

Serial No.: 09/885,799

Filed: June 20, 2001

For: Method and Detector for Identifying Subtypes of Human Papilloma-Viruses

Examiner: C. Myers

Group Unit: 1634

Response to Paper No.: 7

Commissioner for Patents Arlington, VA 22202

REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time, up to and including October 10, 2002 in which to file a response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2002. Applicants have paid the fee for a three-month extension of time. Accordingly, a fee in the amount of \$920.00 for a three-month extension is enclosed. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,

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